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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/45/1026)]

45/267. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 693 (1991) of 20 May 1991, by which the Council established, under its authority, the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador to monitor all agreements concluded between the Government of El Salvador and the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional, whose initial mandate in its first phase as an integrated peace-keeping operation will be to verify the compliance by the two parties with the Agreement on Human Rights, signed at San José on 26 July 1990, 1/

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador 2/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 3/

Noting that the budgetary estimates for the Mission as contained in the report of the Secretary-General amount to 31,177,700 United States dollars gross (28,782,800 dollars net) for the twelve-month period of its authorized mandate,

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1/ A/44/971-S/21541, annex.

2/ A/45/242/Add.1.

3/ A/45/1021.

Recognizing that the costs of the Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Urging all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time, particularly in view of the urgent need for the start-up cost of the operation,

Recognizing that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Mission, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States that are permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of the Mission,

1. Decides to appropriate an amount of 13.8 million dollars gross (13 million dollars net), inclusive of the amount of 611,300 dollars authorized by the Secretary-General for pre-implementation costs under the terms of General Assembly resolution 44/203 of 21 December 1989, for the operation of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador for the six-month period from 1 July to 31 December 1991, and requests the Secretary-General to establish a special account in accordance with paragraph 15 of his report; 2/

2. Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 13.8 million dollars gross (13 million dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991; 4/

3. Decides also that Liechtenstein shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (b) of General Assembly resolution 43/232;

4. Decides further that Namibia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (d) of General Assembly resolution 43/232;

4/ See resolutions 43/223 A and 45/256 B.

5. Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 2 of the present resolution, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 800,000 dollars;

6. Authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Mission in an amount not to exceed 9.2 million dollars gross (8.8 million dollars net), with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for the period from 1 January to 30 June 1992, inclusive, the said amount to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with the scheme set out in the present resolution;

7. Invites voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in its resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

9. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador".

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